

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-5 without prejudice. Please add new claims 6-12 as shown below.

Claims 1-5. (Canceled)

Claim 6. (New) A method of treating arthritis in an animal comprising administering to the animal a therapeutically effective dose of a composition comprising a butanol fraction of extract of *Notoginseng radix* extracted by water, ethanol or a mixed solvent of water and ethanol.

Claim 7. (New) A pharmaceutical composition for treating arthritis comprising butanol fraction of extract of *Notoginseng radix* extracted by water, ethanol or a mixed solvent of water and ethanol.

Claim 8. (New) The pharmaceutical composition for treating arthritis according to claim 7, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is in the form of powders, tablets or capsules.

Claim 9. (New) A health food composition comprising a composition comprising butanol fraction of extract of *Notoginseng radix* extracted by water, ethanol or a mixed solvent of water and ethanol.

Claim 10. (New) The health food composition according to claim 9, wherein the health food composition is in a form of foodstuff selected from the group consisting of cooking spices,

tomato ketchup, flour food, processed meats, noodle soups, gravies, ground beef, dairy products and sunsik.

Claim 11. (New) The health food composition according to claim 9, wherein the health food is in a form of beverages selected from the group consisting of carbonated beverages, health beverages, vegetable juice and fruit juice.

Claim 12. (New) The method according to claim 6, wherein the animal is human.